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OECD PARIS FOR UNDER SECRETARY DONALDSON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: UNGA, EGEN

SUBJECT: UNGA SPECIAL SESSION DUTCH INITIATIVE ON ENERGY

REF: HAGUE 2013

1. FURTHER TO REFTTEL, WE HAVE BEEN INFORMED BY VAN SCHAIK THAT INSTRUCTIONS HAVE NOW GONE TO NEW YORK TO DOWN-PEDAL DUTCH ENERGY INITIATIVE IN UNGA SS ON PREMISE THAT UN SHOULD NOT BE ENCOURAGED TO STAGE PRODUCER/CONSUMER CONFERENCE ON ENERGY UNTIL CONSUMERS HAVE ACHIEVED CONSENSUS IN ECG CONTEXT. INSTRUCTION HAS BEEN REPEATED TO CAPITALS IN ECG MEMBER COUNTRIES TO SET RECORD STRAIGHT WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS.

2. ACCORDING TO VAN SCHAIK FOLLOWING ECG MEMBER COUNTRIES' CONFIDENTIAL

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REACTIONS HAVE THUS FAR BEEN RECEIVED: BRITISH, "HESITANT";

JAPANESE, "UNHAPPY"; AND NORWEGIANS, "ENTHUSIASTIC."

3. VAN SCHAIK UNDERSTAND THAT DEVELOPMENT AID MINISTER PRONK WILL RETURN TO THE HAGUE THIS EVENING AND WILL REPORT TO CABINET TOMORROW AFTER WHICH FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS WILL BE ISSUED IF NECESSARY.

4. MFA INSTRUCTIONS TO DUTCH UN DEL ALSO COMMENTED ON MORE FAR-REACHING FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR UN ENERGY GROUP. THRUST OF THIS INSTRUCTION WAS THAT GON DOES NOT OBJECT TO CONCEPT OF LIMITED UN GROUP TO CONSIDER RAW MATERIAL QUESTIONS BUT THAT ANY DISCUSSIONS OF ENERGY IN THAT GROUP WOULD REQUIRE CONSULTATION WITHIN ECG.

5. VAN SCHAIK COMMENTED THAT WHILE ITALIANER HAS DISCUSSED SOME ASPECTS OF SITUATION WITH UNDER SECRETARY DONALDSON AT XCSS MEETING, MFA REMAINS EAGER FOR FURTHER DETAILS CONCERNING USG REACTION TO BOTH DUTCH AND FRENCH PROPOSALS IN UNGA SS. WITH BOTH FON MIN VAN DER STOEL AND STATE SECRETARY BRINKHORST ABSENT FROM COUNTRY VAN SCHAIK EVIDENTLY FEARS THAT PRONK COULD SWING CABINET TO SUPPORT STRONGER UN ROLE ON ENERGY QUESTION IN ABSENCE OF MORE CONCRETE INDICATIONS OF USG OPPOSITION.
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